

CITY OF CARLISLE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, March 10, 2008, 6:30 P.M.
Carlisle City Hall Council Chamber

Officials present were: Mayor Ruth Randleman and Council Members Drew Merrifield, Doug Hammerand, Eric Mahnke, Alma Reed and Robert VanRyswyk. Mayor Randleman called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Motion by Merrifield, second by Mahnke to APPROVE THE FOLLOWING CONSENT ITEMS: abridged and unabridged February 25, 2008 Regular City Council meeting minutes, March 3, 2008 Special City Council meeting minutes, February 11, 2008 Warren County Great Places steering committee meeting notes, February 12, 2008 Carlisle Marketing/Image Planning session 1, application and Resolution No. 2008031001 for tax abatement for Hubbell Homes LC for a new residence on lot 7, Danamere Farms plat 1 and application and Resolution No. 2008031002 for tax abatement for Hubbell Homes LC for a new residence on lot 24, Danamere Farms plat 1, carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Motion by Mahnke, second by Hammerand to APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$165,346.94 carried unanimously on roll call vote.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: None.

Motion by Mahnke, second by VanRyswyk TO REMOVE FROM THE TABLE the staff recommendation to order removal of a hazardous tree on private property at 205 N. 1st, pending input from the city attorney on whether the matter should be handled under the tree or the nuisance ordinance, carried unanimously on roll call vote. City Attorney Stuyvesant stated that the nuisance ordinance doesn't cover hazardous trees and that the tree ordinance only covers diseased trees. Motion by Hammerand, second by Reed to DIRECT STAFF TO SEND A LETTER INFORMING THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY AT 205 N. 1ST ST. OF THE HAZARDOUS TREE AND REQUESTING ITS REMOVAL and to PREPARE AN AMENDMENT TO THE TREE ORDINANCE THAT ALLOWS THE CITY TO ORDER THE REMOVAL OF ANY TREE THAT CONSTITUTES A HAZARD TO LIFE OR PROPERTY, carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Motion by Merrifield, second by Hammerand TO REMOVE FROM THE TABLE the Park Board recommendation that the safety posts be lowered or removed to allow access across the bridge in Lindhardt Park for the mule and drag, carried unanimously on roll call vote. Parks and Rec Superintendent Jim Briseno explained that a culvert adjacent to the bridge would be an alternative to changing the safety posts and that side railings on the bridge are not required. No action was taken.

Police Department TRIP AND CASE REPORTS were received and filed. Motion by VanRyswyk, second by Hammerand to APPROVE PARK AND REC SUMMER STAFF APPOINTMENTS of Dave Sigmund as Park Maintenance and Grounds Supervisor at \$11.10 per hour and Adam Collins as Park Maintenance and Grounds Worker at \$8.00 per hour, carried unanimously on roll call vote. Fire Chief Scott Burger REQUESTED PERMISSION TO CALL FOR BIDS ON A NEW AMBULANCE. Staff was directed to place the approval of plans and specifications and call for bids on a new ambulance on the next agenda.

The NORTHWEST AREA SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT was reconsidered. Jenny Blankenship of PFM explained the REVISED SEWER RATE CALCULATIONS. The rate needed to cash flow the project if Alternate 1. (north) and Alternate 2. (south) are both included and a 1.30 debt coverage is maintained requires an increase in the availability charge from \$10.00 per month to \$13.70 per month in October 2008 and \$15.00 per month in October 2009 as well as an increase in the usage rate of an additional 25% in 2008 over the current rate (\$3.86 to \$4.72) plus increases of 9.5% in 2009 and 5% in 2010, 2011 and 2012. Staff was directed to develop a policy requiring an annual sewer rate review. Motion by Hammerand, second by Reed to approve the first reading of an ordinance amending the code of ordinances of the city of

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Carlisle, Iowa, 2006, by amending provisions pertaining to sewer rates, including alternates 1. and 2., carried on a 4-1 roll call vote, with Merrifield voting Nay.

Pat Stump presented a report and distributed information on the KEEP IOWA BEAUTIFUL PROGRAM.

PUBLIC PARKING EAST OF 30 SCHOOL ST. was discussed. No action was taken on a recommendation to adopt an ordinance amending chapter 69 pertaining to parking that would officially designate the area for perpendicular parking.

Motion by VanRyswyk, second by Hammerand to APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2008031003 APPROVING THE AGREEMENT WITH WARREN WATER DISTRICT FOR BUY-OUT OF SERVICE AREA, carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Motion by Mahnke, second by Reed to APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM THE CARLISLE AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR WAIVER OF THE CITY PORTION OF THE BUILDING PERMIT FEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$35.10 FOR ELECTRICAL WORK AT THE RANDLEMAN HOUSE AT 245 PENN, carried unanimously on roll call vote.

The MARCH 1, 2008 SCOTCH RIDGE CENTER STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES were received and filed. There was consensus that more engineering is needed before a decision on a bridge can be made.

The FEBRUARY 27, 2008 MAYOR'S PUBLIC SAFETY POLICY ADVISORY CABINET MEETING MINUTES were received and filed. If the Warren County sales tax petition is successful, Carlisle will have to decide on a sales tax question. There was consensus that not many pedestrians are using the Scotch Ridge Road/Highway 5 Frontage Road intersection.

Motion by Mahnke, second by Hammerand to APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM THE GARDEN CLUB FOR THE CITY TO ACT AS FISCAL AGENT for the spring 2008 Warren County and Carlisle Foundation grant applications, carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Motion by Hammerand, second by Mahnke to APPROVE THE SECOND READING AND WAIVE THE THIRD READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 140 TREES, carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Motion by VanRyswyk, second by Reed to APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM MIDWEST RECOVERY TO DO A SPRING PICK-UP OF APPLIANCES AND METAL GOODS ON APRIL 12, 2008, carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Motion by Merrifield, second by Mahnke to ADJOURN AT 10:12 P.M., carried unanimously on roll call vote of those present: Merrifield – Aye, Mahnke – Aye, Hammerand – Aye, Reed – Aye, VanRyswyk – Aye.

Ruth Randleman, Mayor

Attest:

Neil Ruddy, Administrator/Clerk